## Abstract

The invention relates to a stepping gear for a clamping and/or spreading tool having a stationary jaw and a support to which said stationary jaw is fixedly connected and on which a push or pull rod is slideably supported, a movable jaw being fixedly arranged on the push or pull rod, wherein said stepping gear is designed to displace said push or pull rod together with said movable jaw relative to said fixed jaw in an advance direction step-by-step with at least two different stepping sizes and comprises at least one operating arm operateable with at least two lever configurations defined by at least two active levers on said operating arm, wherein a mechanism for switching from a first lever configuration to a second lever configuration is provided and upon an activation of the switching means, particularly in a predefined operating condition, the respective active lever can be activated directly instantaneously. At least two active levers are engageable with said push or pull rod via said at least two drivers according to the respective lever force transmission and at least one driver is connected to said operating arm via a coupling structure, said switching means being formed as a means for detaching said coupling structure.